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In re Application of:

Fernando PATOLSKY, et al.

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For: **OPTICAL DETECTION OF ANALYTES BY USE OF SEMICONDUCTOR NANOPARTICLES**

***PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT***

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Prior to examination on the merits for the national phase application under 35 USC 371, filed on January 27, 2006, please enter the following amendments:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**A Conclusion** appears at page 4 of this paper.